FACILITIES IN SEQUOIA NATIONAL PARK

Giant Forest Area

GIANT FOREST SEQUOIA GROVE

6400' (1950m) elevation. Home of the world's biggest trees, it offers 40 miles (64 km) of walking trails. For nearby picnic areas see page 3 and the map on page 12. See Highlights on page 6.

- Giant Forest Museum (NPS): Daily 9am to 7pm through 8/31, then 9am-6pm. Exhibits about the Big Trees. Books, maps, first aid. 1-559-565-4480. No payphone; closest are at Lodgepole & Wolverton (don't rely on cell phones).
- Beetle Rock Nature Center (NPS): Daily through 8/17, 10am -4pm. Across the Generals Highway from the Giant Forest Museum. Stop in, one and all!

CRYSTAL CAVE

One of the park's main highlights! See page 3 for details and schedule.

Lodgepole Area

LODGEPOLE VILLAGE

6700' (2040 m) elevation. A few miles north of Giant Forest, in beautiful Tokopah Canyon along the Marble Fork of the Kaweah River. For near-by picnic areas see page 3 and the map on page 12.

INFORMATION (NPS)

- Wilderness Permits: Required for backcountry overnight trips. Issued inside Lodgepole Visitor Center Daily 7-11am & 12-3:45pm. See page 4 for details. Permit Information: 1-559-565-3766. Area trail conditions: 1-559-6-440.
- **Visitor Center:** Daily 7am-6pm through 8/31, then 7am-5pm. *Bears* of Sequoia movie (captioned); exhibits on geology & forest life; books; maps; first aid, local wilderness permits. Crystal Cave tickets sold 8am-4pm. Pay phone. 1-559-565-4436.

FOOD, SHOPS & OTHER SERVICES

- Lodgepole Market, Gift Shop (DNCPR): 8am 8pm through 8/31. Groceries, pre-made sandwiches, supplies, bear canisters, ice cream, film, souvenirs.
- Watchtower Deli (DNCPR): Daily 11am-6pm through 8/31, then closed. Sandwiches, salads.
- Harrison BBQ & Grill (DNCPR): Daily 8am 7:45pm through 8/31.
- Laundry (DNCPR): Same hours as Market. Last load in I hour before closing.
- Showers (DNCPR): Daily 8am -ipm & 3 -7:45pm.
- Post Office: Weekdays 8am-ıpm & 2-4pm. 1-559-565-3678. Address mail to visitors: c/o General Delivery, Sequoia National Park, CA 93262.
- Lodgepole Campground (NPS): Open all year. Details on page 11.
- Pay Telephones: Outside visitor center & market (cell-phone signals are usually poor).

WOLVERTON MEADOWS

7200' (2160 m) elevation. North of the Sherman Tree 2 miles (3.2km).

• Wolverton BBQ (DNCPR): Nightly through 8/31, weather permitting. All-you-can-eat barbeque, served outdoors at 6pm (time adjusts with sunset).

Wuksachi

LODGE & DINING ROOM (DNCPR)

7200' (2160 m) elevation. Year-round center for lodging & food services in Sequoia; 4 miles (6.4 km) north of the General Sherman Tree.

- Dining Room: Daily, 7-10am, 11:30am-2:30pm, 5-10pm. Dinner reservations required. Box lunches available. 1-559-565-4070. Lounge daily 4:30-10pm.
- **Gift Shop:** Daily 8am-8pm. Film, souvenirs, crafts, clothing, snacks.
- Wuksachi Lodge: See page 10 for details. Front desk 24 hours.
- Pay Telephones: At main lodge. Cell-phone signals are often poor.

Delaware North Companies Parks & Resorts and the National Park Foundation have made it easy for Wuksachi Lodge guests to contribute to these parks. Ask about the Guest **Donation Program when you check in!**

Foothills Area

500-3500' (457-1067 m) elevation. Oaks, chaparral, & river canyons; hot summers & snow-free winters; & the greatest biological diversity in these parks. Park headquarters is at Ash Mountain.

- Visitor Center (NPS): Daily 8am-6pm through 9/1, then 8am-4:30pm. Exhibits, books, maps, bear canisters, first aid, local wilderness permits. 1-559-565-3135.
- Potwisha Campground (NPS): Year-round. Details on page II.
- Pay Telephones (cell phone signals are usually poor): Foothills Visitor Center near front door, Potwisha Campground, Hospital Rock Picnic Area (on restroom wall).

Mineral King Area

The road to this area is open late May to November 1.

7800' (2380 m) elevation. A subalpine valley at the end of a steep, narrow, difficult road. No RVs, buses, or trailers, please. No electricity or gasoline. Be aware: In spring & early summer, marmots chew on hoses and wiring in parked cars in the valley.

- Ranger Station (NPS): Daily 8am-4pm. Information, wilderness permits. Check for schedule of ranger programs.
- Pay Telephones: Cold Springs Campground, Sawtooth parking area. Cell phone signals are usually poor.
- Silver City Mountain Resort: Open through 10/18. Cabins, chalets, showers, small store (gifts, limited supplies, ice, no gasoline, no fishing licenses). Restaurant/bakery: 8am-8pm Thurday-Monday, 8am-5pm Tuesday-Wednesday pie & coffee only). Pay telephone. www.silvercityresort.com; 1-559-561-3223.
- Camping (NPS): No RVs or trailers. Details: page 11.

FREE NATURE PROGRAMS

Check local bulletin boards and visitor centers for times, topics, and additional programs! Limited programs on 8/7. IN THE GIANT FOREST & LODGEPOLE:

Sherman Tree Talk - Daily 10:30 am through 9/30, 4:30 pm through 8/31; 30 minutes. Learn about the largest tree on the planet and its secrets for survival! Meet at base of the tree. Plan at least 20 minutes to walk from parking lot.

Moro Vistas - Daily 11 am through 9/30; 30 minutes. Meet on top of Moro Rock. Plan at least 15 minutes to climb the staircase!

Critters of the Sierra - Daily 1:30 pm through 9/30; 30 minutes. Discover the animals that call Sequoia Park home. In front of Lodgepole Visitor Center.

Beetle Rock Rollick - Daily 2 pm through 8/17; 1 hour. Kids! Discover a secret about Sequoia. Activities vary daily. At Beetle Rock Education Center, across the road from Giant Forest Museum.

Realm of Giants - Daily 2:30 pm; 2 hours. Explore the world's largest trees. Meet in front of Giant Forest Museum.

Lodgepole Evening Campfire - Most weekends through 9/27; 1 hour. Lodgepole campground ampitheatre across the big parking lot. IN THE FOOTHILLS: Schedule through 9/1; then check locally.

Wild About Bears - Daily 10am; 20-minute talk. Come to the Foothills Visitor Center.

Ranger's Choice - Daily 2pm; 20-minute talk. Meet at the Foothills Visitor Center. Check there for topics.

Junior Ranger Program - Sunday, 9am; 1-1/2 hours. Grab the kids and meet at Potwisha Campground Amphitheater!

Potwisha Evening Program - Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 8pm; 1 hour. Potwisha Campground Amphitheater.

Amphitheater Point Talk - Daily 10am; 20-minute talk. Meet at Amphitheater Point Overlook on Generals Highway. Hospital Rock Talk - Daily 1pm; 30 minutes. Meet at Hospital Rock Picnic Area.

Plan Your Visit - Daily. Morning map talks at the Foothills Visitor Center will orient you to specific park areas.

IN MINERAL KING:

Evening campfires, walks & talks through 9/1. Check bulletin boards!